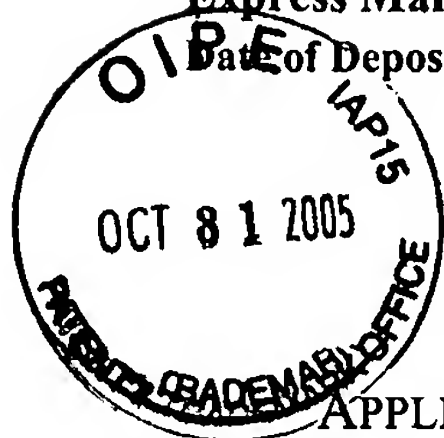


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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

This paper is in response to the Office Action mailed June 30, 2005 in the above-identified application. With a one-month extension of time, this response is due on or before Monday, October 31, 2005 (October 30, 2005 being a Sunday). Applicants submit herewith a Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time, along with the appropriate fee. Thus, Applicants believe no additional fees are due in connection with this filing. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 21402-225 (Cura 525).

Applicants submit this paper in conjunction with a Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR § 1.114 and the required fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e). This paper constitutes a proper submission in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.114(c).

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.